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July 27, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS  
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 2, 3, AND 5  
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000084 - Pacoima Dam Facilities Improvement, vicinity of Sylmar (5), Ladd and Associates, with a final contract amount of \$11,801,818.08 (Partial Acceptance).

Project ID No. RDC0013415 - Ventura Boulevard, et al., vicinity of Calabasas (3), Tyner Paving Company, with a final contract amount of \$280,897.83 (Final Acceptance).

Project ID No. RDC0014103 - Broadway Avenue, vicinity of Santa Fe Springs (1), Los Angeles Engineering, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$9,311.44 and a final contract amount of \$238,146.63.

Project ID No. RDC0014442 - Meyer Road at Laurel Avenue, vicinity of Santa Fe Springs (1), Steiny and Company, Inc., with a final contract amount of \$87,078.38.

Project ID No. RMD1567071 - Colman Street, et al., vicinities of Altadena and Pasadena (5), Sully-Miller Contracting Company, with changes amounting to a credit of \$82,162.68 and a final contract amount of \$1,463,537.07.

Project ID No. RMD3246028 - Parkway Tree Trimming, MD 3, FY 2003-04, vicinities of Hawthorne, Compton, and Carson (2), Orozco Landscape and Tree Co., with changes amounting to a credit of \$15.00 and a final contract amount of \$47,110.00.

Project ID No. RMD3328021 - Road Divisions 336 and 339 Culvert Lining, vicinities of Westlake Village, Malibu Lake, Monte Nido, and Big Rock (3), Sancon Engineering II, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$13,489.20 and a final contract amount of \$1,048,814.10.

Project ID No. RMD4146004 - Parkway Tree Trimming, RD 142 - FY 2003/04, vicinities of East Los Angeles and Monterey Park (1), H. Tree & Landscaping Company, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$465.00 and a final contract amount of \$123,895.00.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID Nos. RDC0014103, RMD1567071, RMD3246028, RMD3328021, and RMD4146004.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The modifications to the contract amounts range in a value from a credit of \$82,162.68 to an increase in the amount of \$9,311.44, while the total values of the contracts range from \$47,110.00 to \$11,801,818.08.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

### **CONCLUSION**

Please return one approved copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES  
Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office  
County Counsel  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL)  
July 27, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000084, PACOIMA DAM FACILITIES IMPROVEMENT  
(in the vicinity of Sylmar), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Ladd and Associates, P.O. Box 992750, Redding, California 96099-2750

Project Description:

Facilities improvement.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on April 30, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

In addition, the County and the contractor are currently negotiating the resolution of a claim submitted by the contractor. Rather than delay payment of the retention to the contractor for the completed work, pursuant to Section 7107 of the California Public Contract Code, we recommend that all retention, except for the sum of \$100,000.00, be released. This amount will be used for assessing the contractor liquidated damages for not completing the project on time. Once the claim is resolved, we will provide your Board with our recommendation for final acceptance of the work for this contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$10,317,015.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	1,584,803.08
Deduction for liquidated damages	<u>(100,000.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$11,801,818.08</u>

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## ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (FINAL)

July 27, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013415, VENTURA BOULEVARD, ET AL. (in the vicinity of Calabasas), Supervisorial District 3

Contractor: Tyner Paving Company, 2005 San Fernando Road, Los Angeles, California 90065

### Project Description:

Roadway reconstruction and resurfacing; reconstruction of curb, gutter, and sidewalk; and construction of curb ramps.

### Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 6, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. On May 18, 2004, your Board approved partial acceptance of the work on this contract with a withholding of \$5,600, pending compliance with Affirmative Action Reporting Requirements. The contractor has now resolved this issue and is entitled to the release of all the funds withheld. Therefore, we recommend that your Board accept the work of this contract.

### Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$252,496.42
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by your Board	<u>28,401.41</u>
<b>FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$280,897.83</u></b>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
July 27, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014103, BROADWAY AVENUE (in the vicinity of Santa Fe Springs), Supervisorial District 1

Contractor: Los Angeles Engineering, Inc., 4134 Temple City Boulevard, Rosemead, California 91770-1550

Project Description:

Reconstruction of roadway pavement, curb and gutter, sidewalks, and driveways; construction of bus pads and curb ramps; striping and pavement markings; and modification of traffic signals.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	\$5,593.67
(2) Repair Concrete Box	873.60
(3) Fill Voids with Concrete	<u>2,844.17</u>
Total	<u>\$9,311.44</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) During excavation operations, a leak in an existing box culvert was discovered. It was necessary to repair the culvert.

(3) During excavation operations, large voids were discovered underneath portions of the driveways and curb and gutter. In order to stabilize these areas, it was necessary to fill these voids with concrete.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 2 and 3 were based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

One additional working day was required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on April 5, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

The contractor has failed to comply with Affirmative Action reporting requirements. Therefore, in accordance with the contract specifications, \$1,200.00 is being deducted from the value of the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$217,356.75
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by your Board	12,678.44
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	9,311.44
Deduction for Affirmative Action noncompliance	<u>(1,200.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$238,146.63</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014442, MEYER ROAD AT LAUREL AVENUE  
(in the vicinity of Santa Fe Springs), Supervisorial District 1

Contractor: Steiny and Company, Inc., 12907 East Garvey Avenue,  
Baldwin Park, California 91706

Project Description:

Installation of traffic signals, striping, and pavement markings.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on April 21, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$77,939.04
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	<u>9,139.34</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$87,078.38</u>

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## ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

July 27, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. RMD1567071, COLMAN STREET, ET AL. (in the vicinities of Altadena and Pasadena), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Sully-Miller Contracting Company, 1100 East Orangethorpe Avenue, Suite 200, Anaheim, California 92801

### Project Description:

Resurfacing and slurry sealing of roadway pavement; reconstruction of curb, gutter, sidewalk, and driveways; construction of bus pads; removal, root pruning, and planting of parkway trees; and modification of traffic signals.

### Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$80,640.18)
(2) Overtime Inspection	<u>(1,522.50)</u>
Total	<u>(\$82,162.68)</u>

### Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) The contractor requested 29 hours of overtime inspection, which resulted in a credit to the contract specifications.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was stipulated in the contract specifications.

### Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on January 16, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,487,777.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by your Board	57,922.75
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	<u>(82,162.68)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u><u>\$1,463,537.07</u></u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
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PROJECT ID NO. RMD3246028, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, MD 3, FY 2003-04  
(in the vicinities of Hawthorne, Compton, and Carson), Supervisorial District 2

Contractor: Orozco Landscape and Tree Co., 11194 Pipeline Avenue,  
Pomona, California 91766

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$15.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on June 7, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$47,125.00
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	____ (15.00)
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 \$ <u>47,110.00</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
July 27, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. RMD3328021, ROAD DIVISIONS 336 AND 339 CULVERT LINING  
(in the vicinities of Westlake Village, Malibu Lake, Monte Nido, and Big Rock),  
Supervisory District 3

Contractor: Sancon Engineering II, Inc., 5841 Engineer Drive, Huntington Beach,  
California 92649.

Project Description:

Culvert lining.

Changes in Work:

(1) Las Flores Canyon Road at Culvert Marker 1.48	(\$14,988.00)
(2) Clean and Video Tape	<u>1,498.80</u>
Total	(\$ <u>13,489.20</u> )

Description of Changes:

(1 and 2) Due to differing field conditions, the contractor was not able to line one of the culverts, located along Las Flores Canyon at Culvert Marker 1.34. The subject culvert was only cleaned and video taped.

The cost for Item 1 was based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on February 21, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,081,739.00
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	(19,435.70)
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	<u>(13,489.20)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$1,048,814.10</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
July 27, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. RMD4146004, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, RD 142 - FY 2003/04  
(in the vicinities of East Los Angeles and Monterey Park), Supervisorial District 1

Contractor: H. Tree & Landscaping Company, Inc., 5718 West Sunlight Place,  
Los Angeles, California 90016

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities \$465.00

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on May 25, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$104,930.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	18,500.00
Changes in work authorized by Director of Public Works	<u>465.00</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$123,895.00</u>

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